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### **OTHER DOCUMENTS**

"Turf Wars" by Guy Tridgell, July 30, 2003, Daily Southtown

ASTM Standard Consumer Safety Specification for Playground Equipment for Public Use (Designation F 1487 – 98) / CPSC Handbook for Public Playground Safety (Pub. No. 325)

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